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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of: John K. Overby et al. )  
Serial No.: 10/826,794 ) Examiner Juan D. Valentin  
Filed: April 16, 2004 ) Art Unit 2877  
Title: FIBER OPTIC SMOKE DETECTOR ) Attorney Docket No. 84,720

**RULE 111 AMENDMENT AND REPLY**

Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir,

In response to the Office Action dated December 28, 2006, and in light of the Petition for Extension of Time under 35 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) filed herewith, Applicant responds in the following format:

- (A) Each section begins on a separate sheet;
- (B) Starting on a separate sheet, a complete listing of all claims:
  - In ascending order;
  - With status identifiers; and
  - With markings in the currently amended claims;
- (C) Starting on a separate sheet, the Remarks.

It is believed that a one-month extension of time or fees for net addition of claims under 37 C.F.R. is required. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefore (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-0958.